

Bill No. 355
2015

By-law No. A.-_____

A by-law to amend Council Policy 5(1) entitled
“Appointment of Deputy Mayors”.

WHEREAS subsection 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS section 9 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS section 244 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* provides that except as provided in sections 233 and 238 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, no vote shall be taken by ballot or by any other method of secret voting, and every vote so taken is of no effect;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council wishes to amend Council Policy 5(1) – Appointment of Deputy Mayors, to provide for the use of a ranked voting process with respect to the selection and appointment of the Deputy Mayor selected by Municipal Council;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. Part (d) of the section entitled “Deputy Mayor Selected by the Municipal Council” is hereby deleted and replaced with the following new part (d) as follows:

“(d) The process to be followed by the Municipal Council in selecting a Deputy Mayor shall be as follows:

Nomination and Voting Process

- (i) At the first Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee meeting of a Council term, the Chair shall invite each Ward Councillor, in Ward order, to declare if they wish to let their name stand to serve as the Deputy Mayor selected by the Municipal Council for the first year of the Council term. No later than the last Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee meeting in November of each of the first, second and third Council years, the Chair shall invite all Ward Councillors, in Ward order, to declare if they wish to let their name stand to serve as the Deputy Mayor selected by the Municipal Council for the upcoming Council year.
- (ii) The Ward Councillor selected by the Mayor to serve as Deputy Mayor shall not be eligible to concurrently serve as the Deputy Mayor selected by the Municipal Council.
- (iii) The City Clerk, or designate, shall immediately compile a list of all Ward Councillors, in alphabetical order, who have declared their wish to let their name stand for consideration for appointment as the Deputy Mayor selected by the Municipal Council.
- (iv) The names included on the list noted in (iii), above, shall be the subject of a ranked ballot process adopted in advance by the Municipal Council, and conducted in public session of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee, during which the list was compiled.

- (v) The ranked ballot process shall be fully disclosed in the public record of the meeting at which it is conducted.
- (vi) Any time the list of Ward Councillors declaring that they wish to let their name stand to serve as the Deputy Mayor selected by the Municipal Council includes only one name, the Chair shall immediately call for a motion to confirm the selection of that individual to serve as the Deputy Mayor selected by the Municipal Council.”

2. This by-law comes into force and effect on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on October 27, 2015.

Matt Brown
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk